



**STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SYBIL BRAND COMMISSION FOR INSTITUTIONAL
INSPECTIONS
KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION
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LOS ANGELES, CA 90012
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Wednesday, January 30, 2013

10:00 AM

AUDIO LINK FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (13-0673)

Attachments: [AUDIO](#)

Present: Chairperson Eleanor R. Montaño, Vice Chairperson Frank S. Bacio,
Commissioner Barbara Bigby, Commissioner Cheryl Grills Ph.D.,
Commissioner Donald S. Andrews and Commissioner Susan Burton

Excused: Commissioner Anne S. Hill

Call to Order. (13-0569)

Chairperson Montaño called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Chairperson Montaño led in the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a moment of silence.

Commissioner Burton joined the meeting at 10:05 a.m. and Commissioner Grills at 10:25 a.m.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

1. Approval of the January 23, 2013 Minutes. (13-0570)

On motion of Commissioner Donald S. Andrews, seconded by Commissioner Barbara Bigby, unanimously carried, the minutes of January 23, 2013 were approved.

Attachments: [SUPPORTING DOCUMENT](#)

II. REPORTS

2. Chairperson's Report on various items for January 30, 2013. (13-0571)

In addition to sharing the "All Star News" (a quarterly publication of Stars Behavioral Health Group) which was obtained during the visit to Starview, Chairperson Montaña reported on the following:

- The new group home roster from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) listed 116 group homes and 25 of them are located outside of Los Angeles County.
- The Commission received an invitation to attend an event that Vera Institute of Justice is holding on Friday, February 1, 2013 from 1:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the AON Center, 707 Wilshire Blvd, Los Angeles. The theme of the event is "Rethinking Jail Reentry in Los Angeles County - Research Findings & Recommendations from the Vera Institute."

Commissioner Burton added that she was contacted and advised of the event by California Endowment. She stated that she registered to attend the event and also requested the coordinator of the event to send an invitation to the Commission because she believes the event will benefit the Commission in that it will help them to become more informed of the processes of jail reentry.

The Chair advised that those who are interested in attending the event should RSVP by the deadline which is January 30, 2013.

- The Commission received an email from Patricia Bolanos-Gonzalez, Children's Services Administrator II, DCFS Out-of-Home Care Management Division. The email provided updates on the two matters that were discussed at the January 16, 2013 meeting. Ms. Bolanos-Gonzalez stated in her email that she contacted Ms. Lori Irving of Dangerfield Group Home and provided her with the name and contact information for the CWS's supervisor and advised her that when there are concerns regarding CSW (CSW being non-responsive), she may take the matter/concern up the chain of command through the supervisor.

Regarding David & Margaret—Wenwood site, Ms. Bolanos-Gonzalez advised that the site is not contracted by DCFS, and children have not been placed at that site since January 2012.

3. Treasurer's Report for January 30, 2013. (13-0572)

Vice Chairperson Frank Bacio reported that the current bank statement balance of the Commission's Charitable Fund remains at \$600.96.

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4. Staff Report on Correspondence Received and Department Representative Reports for January 30, 2013. (13-0573)

There were none.

5. Review of Group Home Compliance Monitoring Audit Reports presented on January 30, 2013. (13-0574)

In Compliance:

- **Commissioners Bigby and Hill visited Rancho San Antonio Bay (Chatsworth). This venue is not listed in new book.**

6. Commissioners Reports on Group Home and/or Detention Facilities Inspections from January 24, 2013 to January 29, 2013. (13-0575)

During the reporting period the following Group Homes/Facilities were reported as being in satisfactory condition:

- **Chairperson Montaña visited Lakewood Sheriff Station on January 24, 2013.**
- **Commissioner Andrews visited Beverly Hills Courthouse on January 24, 2013.**
- **Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited Orange County Children's Foundation, Page 31 #4, on January 28, 2013.**
- **Chairperson Montaña and Commissioner Andrews visited Starview Group Home Family Services, Page 40 #2, on January 29, 2013.**
- **Vice Chairperson Bacio visited Pomona Courthouse on January 29, 2013.**

During the reporting period the following Group Home/Facility was visited but there was no one at home:

- **Commissioners Bigby and Hill visited Children are Our Future (Leggs), Page 8 #1, on January 29, 2013.**

During the reporting period the following Group Homes/Facilities were reported as being in unsatisfactory condition:

- **Commissioners Burton and Grills visited Loving Life II (You are the Difference), page 45 #1, on January 29, 2013.**
- o **A Corrective Action Response Form was issued citing the following discrepancies:**
 - ☐ **Bedroom and bathroom walls need to be painted**

- ☐ Bathroom toilet need to be repaired.
- ☐ Clothing allowance needs to be in compliance and documented.
- ☐ Spending allowance needs to be in compliance and documented.
- ☐ Quick release bar must not be obstructed.
- ☐ Needs and Services Plans (NSP) must be up to date.
- ☐ NSPs should provide information for psychotropic medications that are being administered indicating the regimens with rationale and connection to treatment plan.
- ☐ Smoke detectors need batteries.

Commissioner Grills expressed concern for the way the psychotropic medications are being administered and she stated that she is considering the documentation of psychotropic medication regimens of group homes to determine the pattern.

III. MISCELLANEOUS

Matters Not Posted

7. Matters not on the posted agenda, to be discussed and (if requested) referred to staff or placed on the agenda for action at a future meeting, or matters requiring immediate action because of an emergency situation or where the need to take action came to the attention of the Committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. (13-0576)

There were no matters presented for a future agenda.

Public Comment

8. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Commission. (13-0577)

There were no members of the public present to address the Commission.

Adjournment

9. Adjournment for the meeting of January 30, 2013. (13-0578)

There being no further business, the meeting of January 31, 2013 was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.